

## South Florida Water Management District

### Distinguished Budget Presentation Award



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The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) presented a Distinguished Budget Presentation Award to the South Florida Water Management District for its annual budget for the fiscal year that began October 1, 2003. To receive this award, a governmental unit must publish a budget document that meets program criteria as a policy document, financial plan, communications device and an operations guide.

This award is valid for one year. We believe our current budget continues to conform to program requirements, and we are submitting our FY2005 budget to GFOA to determine its eligibility for another award.

# Guide to the Budget and Work Plan Document

Welcome to the South Florida Water Management District's (District) FY2005 Work Plan and Budget. The descriptions below will give you a brief view of the content in the document's five sections.

## Section A

### **Executive Summary**

The Executive Summary provides an overview of the District and its budget. Also included is information about the District's Governing Board and executive management team, and a budget message from Executive Director Henry Dean that details the major changes, priorities and issues reflected in this document.

## Section B

### **Work Plan and Budget**

The Work Plan and Budget section contains resource area mission statements, activity descriptions and FY2004 to FY2005 budget variances for the five District resource areas. Additionally, the section includes FY2004 accomplishments; FY2005 objectives; budget resources and trends; strategic goals; and performance measures for each of the 10 District programs that work together to fulfill the District's overall mission.

## Section C

### **Financial Overview**

The Financial Overview section includes details about the District's financial principles, philosophies, processes and structure. Revenue forecasts and trends, and a debt summary are also found in this section.

## Section D

### **Long-Range Plans**

The Long-Range Plans section contains the District's mission, vision and values, program policies, long-term goals, program-to-goal linkages and an economic outlook for the community the District serves. The section also includes a 10-year financial forecast and the Capital Improvements Plan, which contains major capital project details and funding sources.

## Section E

### **Appendix**

The Appendix provides general information that supports the details found in the rest of the Work Plan and Budget. The section contains information on taxes that is of interest to property owners, a list of the property appraisers in the District's area, a sample tax notice, narrative on how environmental factors affect District services, a glossary, a list of acronyms and abbreviations, and a guide to other useful District documents.

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